



THE SLBC INFORMER

June 2026



In 2025, we had 9 new bowlers and I am pleased to say over half have returned to the club this year. This year we have 23 new members including some 2 returning members and 7 experienced bowlers from other clubs. Our membership has grown to 99 which is a testament to how friendly, engaging and welcoming our club is.

In our first month of the season, we had a busy new bowler/member practice week, a fun all players clinic, 4 jitney sessions (which are growing in popularity) and of course 3 weeks of leagues. I also noticed Marilyn has been out working on our garden beds and making our BBQ area lovely. . With the hard work complete and league organization done, we can look forward to the beginning of our tournament schedule in June and our first bowl and dine. I encourage you all to come and try one of our events, if not to participate then to volunteer to help.

Our June Events

Thursday June 11th-Bowl and Dine-members opening Tournament

The evening begins at 4pm with a spider throw. He's looking pretty beat up but still up for a challenge.

Our first 8 or 10 end game of bowling will consist of random teams of pairs or trebles (depending on number of players). Dinner of sandwiches, salads and refreshments to follow the first game. We return to the green for a second game ending the evening with dessert and the presentation of some prizes by our sponsor Sandra Iwasiw. Entry \$5. Sign up soon in the club house.

Saturday June 13th –Novice Aussie Pairs Tournament

This is a new in club tournament to give our new players (under 5 years experience) an opportunity to experience playing a tournament without all the competitiveness of an open tournament. Cost is \$10 to enter with money toward tournament prizes. We also have a sponsor Stouffville Creek Retirement Residence. Please bring a bagged lunch. Tournament starts at 9.30 am. Sign up sheet on the board.

Wednesday June 24- Bloom Stouffville Visit

Some of the residents of Bloom Stouffville will be coming to the club at 10am for a few hours to enjoy (hopefully) a brief introduction to lawn bowling. We will need a few volunteers to help assist players. More details to follow and a volunteer signup sheet on the white board.

Thursday June 25th-Strawberry Festival Open Tournament

This tournament is always a very popular trebles tournament. This year the tournament has 12 teams with room for 4 more teams. There is a Stouffville team of two which needs a player listed on the white board sheet. Please consider adding your name or putting together a team. It would be nice for a Stouffville team to get their share of the prize money. So far we are expecting 8 teams from other clubs such as Cosburn, Midland, Leaside, Agincourt and Pickering. Again this year we will be having the amazing Strawberry Shortcake provided by Stouffville Creek Retirement Residence in the afternoon. The tournament is sponsored by Gary Davis, Remax (club member) and Borlak Law.

Tournament Volunteers

Thank you all who have volunteered to date to help run our activities in the club. This year we have 5 open tournaments, a Novice Tournament, 3 bowl and dines, 2 in-club tournaments and we will be hosting District Novice Singles. We need volunteers to help make our events great. Posted on the board is a sheet showing what duties are still available. Please consider adding your name.

Our July Events

Mark on your calendar our July coming events:

July 8th open Bloom Tournament 9.30am

July 16th open Ladies luncheon Tournament 10am

July 23rd Beach bowl & Dine tentative

BOWLER PROFILE



George Smart with Pam Manias

George joined the SLBC in 2019 and quickly moved from a lead position to skipping a team in just 3 years. In 2022 he received the award for most improved bowler (shown above) . Also in 2022, still being a novice bowler, he entered the district 11 mens' novice single playoffs moving forward to the Provincial novice mens' singles playoffs later that year.

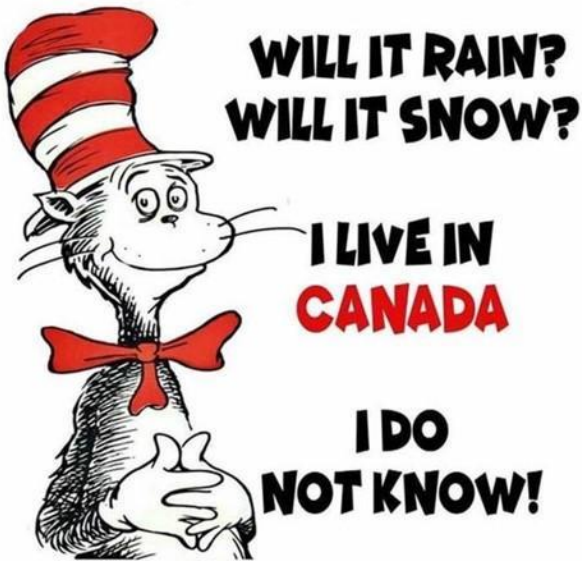
George has joined the executive this year and is taking on his role with gusto. George is one of the members of our club tournament committee, has taken on the responsibility of Wednesday night league convenor and will soon be a club coach (although he already provided his expertise and ran the All Player Clinic held a week ago). George is always pleasant, willing to help, will offer assistance for those that need some coaching and will make up a team for a tournament. George is a valued member of our club

Housekeeping

1. There is grippo for sale \$5 per tube, Please ask an Exec. if you wish to purchase.
2. The club has Henselite string tape measures for sale at \$50. Pleaseask an Exec if you wish to purchase.
3. Reminder: If you are last to leave the club please ensure the shed is shut, all 3 doors are locked, lights out on the green and clubhouse and the gate lock is on and tumbled.
4. Please ensure your equipment is returned to where it was borrowed from before leaving the club.
5. If a guest comes to the club, please ensure your guest(s) sign the waiver form (fun day waiver book) located on the small table in the equipment room, Your guest is welcome for up to 3 visits and then must either become a social member or full member of the club. A waiver form must be completed every visit.
6. If you are unable to play on your scheduled league night, it is your responsibility to find a replacement (rover) for yourself.

Etiquette Tip for the month

In league play, always greet all team members (good bowling) and when game is complete thank everyone for the game



. A little bit of humour



Good bowling! Cheers Pam